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SUBJECT: VISIT OF HAUGH AND COX (OF NRA) TO BAGHDAD

REFERENCE: (A) BAGHDAD 512 (B) STATE 59616

1.FOLLOWING IS COPY OF NRA TELEX MESSAGE SENT MARCH 31
TO BAGHDAD: QUOTE DEAR DIRECTOR GENERAL, NATIONAL
RENDERERS ASSOCIATION, INC. WOULD APPRECIATE AN INVITATION
FOR TWO OF ITS LEADING OFFICIALS, JOHN HAUGH, PAST
PRESIDENT NRA, AND J. STEWART COX, NRA OVERSEAS
DIRECTOR BASED IN BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (WHOSE RESPONSIBILITIES
INCLUDE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA OPERATIONS) TO VISIT
YOUR COUNTRY MAY 8-10. THE PURPOSE OF THEIR VISIT WOULD
FOCUS ON THE STATUS OF THE TALLOW INDUSTRY IN YOUR
COUNTRY IN TERMS OF TALLOW AND OTHER FATS AND OIL SUPPLY
SOURCES, HANDLING FACILITIES, AND USES. WE FEEL THAT AN
EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AND INFORMATION BETWEEN YOUR GOVERNMENT
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AND TRADE OFFICIALS AND OUR REPRESENTATIVES WOULD BE
HIGHLY BENEFICIAL TO GOI AND NRA IN TERMS OF INCREASED
EFFICIENCIES, ETC. IN BOTH COUNTRIES' TALLOW BASED
INDUSTRY AND LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTION; ALSO
PERHAPS REGARDING IRAQI FATS AND OILS IMPORT PURCHASING
BENEFITS. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT WE NEED YOUR INVITATION
TO OBTAIN VISAS FOR MR. HAUGH FROM YOUR EMBASSY IN

WASHINGTON, D.C. (THE IRAQI INTERESTS SECTION OF THE INDIAN EMBASSY) EARLY RESPONSE WOULD BE APPRECIATED. ALSO, IF THIS INVITATION NEEDED TO OBTAIN COX VISA IN BRUSSELS WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOU SENDING A TELEX INVITATION TO HIM DIRECT, TELEX 26011, OR WOULD OUR SENDING COPY OF INVITATION VIA TELEX SERVE FOR HIM TO OBTAIN VISA? DEAN A. SPECHT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RENDERERS ASSOCIATION, INC. UNQUOTE

2. ABOVE PROVIDED YOU, PER PARA 5 REF A, FOR YOUR FOLLOW-UP. VIEW SHORT TIME OBTAIN VISA FOR HAUGH AND THE NEED FOR COPY IRAQI INVITATION TO ACCOMPANY VISA APPLICATION, AND ASSUMING ONE BE SENT NRA, PLEASE REQUEST DIRECTOR GENERAL VEGOIL CO TELEX TO IRAQI INTERESTS SECTION IN WASHINGTON, DC A COPY OF INVITATION. USDA/WASHINGTON DC HAS HAUGH PASSPORT, ETC., AND AWAITING INVITATION GO WITH IT FOR VISA.

3. NRA MAILED APRIL 1 VIA STATE DEPARTMENT WASHINGTON D.C. THE CHECK REQUESTED PARA 4 REF A.
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